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**Note on an informal communication by telephone with the Applicant**

A copy of this note is being sent to the Applicant for information

**Participants**

Applicant: Telefon AB LM Ericsson

Representative: Robert Lind

Examiner(s): Vercauteren, S

**Summary of the communication**

The examiner called the representative Robert Lind on 07.12.2005, thereby granting the representative's request (see letter of 19.08.2005) for a telephone interview in case the examiner had serious objections regarding the claims currently on file.

The examiner said that the subject-matter of claim 1 is new and inventive due to the inclusion of the intelligent network node feature, but that the application remains unclear (Article 6 PCT) because of the plurality of independent claims in the same category, i.e. method claims 1, 12-17. Thus, the clarity objection that was raised in the first written opinion still applies. Further, claims 12-17 correspond to the originally filed claims 15-20. Some of these claims, i.e. claims 13-15, do not contain said intelligent network node feature; for these claims, the objections (Article 33 PCT) that were raised in the first written opinion still apply.

The examiner thus concluded that the representative will receive an IPER that is partly positive, partly negative. The representative accepted this.



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